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NEW ORLEANS AREA PARISHES
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ANNOUNCER:

THE POPULATION OF THE NEW ORLEANS AREA IS REBOUNDING FROM HURRICANE KATRINA, ACCORDING TO NEW DATA RELEASED TODAY BY THE U-S CENSUS BUREAU. SAINT BERNARD AND ORLEANS PARISHES WERE THE FASTEST-GROWING COUNTIES OR EQUIVALENTS IN THE NATION BETWEEN 2006 AND 2007. THE YEAR BEFORE, SAINT BERNARD HAD BEEN THE NATION'S FASTEST-LOSING COUNTY IN POPULATION. NINE OF THE TEN FASTEST-GROWING COUNTIES WERE IN THE SOUTH OR THE WEST, WITH THREE IN GEORGIA ALONE. MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, THE HOME OF PHOENIX, WAS THE BIGGEST NUMERICAL GAINER, ADDING MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED — THOUSAND PEOPLE. LOS ANGELES COUNTY REMAINS THE MOST POPULOUS IN THE NATION, WITH ABOUT TEN MILLION RESIDENTS IN 2007. YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION AT W-W-W-DOT-CENSUS-GOV.

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